M I N U T E S CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER BOARD

July 20, 2004–2:00 P.M.

Room 4B- Fourth Floor - Heber Wells Bldg. 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 2:12 P.M. **ADJOURNED:** 2:43 P.M.

PRESENT: Clyde Ormond, Bureau Manager

Marty Simon, Board Secretary

Board Members: Rodney Felshaw

ABSENT: Mary Bearnson Michelle Beatty

Rockie Dustin Shelley Wadsworth

GUESTS: Craig Jackson, Division Director; Laurie Shingle,

Association President.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Due to a lack of a board quorum no decisions were made. These minutes only reflect items that were discussed and recommended.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Minutes: Review of the minutes of the October 6, 2003 board

meeting were deferred to the next meeting due to a

lack of a quorum.

NEW BUSINESS

H.R. 970

Copies of this bill were given to the board members present to review. This is a bill that is being proposed before the 108th Congress to provide competitive grants for court reporters and real-time writers to obtain training to meet requirements for closed captioning under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. By 2006 it will be required to have closed captioning on all news programs. At this time, there are not enough licensed people to do this.

Ms. Shingle stated they could be licensed through the National Verbatim Association as voice writers and the Close Broad Captioner Association (CBC) are licensing closed captioners.

Mr. Ormond questioned whether they would be required to be licensed as Certified Court Reporters. If they want to be licensed separately they would Certified Court Reporter Board Minutes July 20, 2004 - Page 2

have to request it through legislature. He then explained they would have to justify the need to be licensed as to how it would affect the health, safety and welfare of the public. Since the Federal Government is requiring it, perhaps it should be regulated through the Federal Communications Council (FCC). Ms. Shingle agreed to keep Mr. Ormond posted regarding the progress of this Bill.

CORRESPONDENCE:

"Disorder In the American Courts"

Copies of this were given to Board members present.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Rules Change

Need to add the CE requirement for the Voice Reporters.

Court Voice Reporter exam

Currently a certified court reporter applicant contacts Experior to sign up to take the national exam. However, Experior was informed the National Verbatim Reporter exam is currently only given in three eastern cities. They were told they could not give it here in Utah. Mr. Ormond will contact the National Verbatim Reporter's Association regarding this. Court Voice Reporters will have to contact the national association to schedule to take the exam. This information will be added to the Candidate Information Bulletin in the application.

NEXT MEETING:

To be determined

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